GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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COMMUNITY LISTENING SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the supply of receiving sets by the Government under the community listening scheme during each of the last three years, State-wise/UT-wise; and

(b) the steps taken or proposed to be taken to preserve and maintain the relevance and importance of radio in the present T.V. era?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF TH DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)

(a) : Community listening scheme is operating only in the State of J&K atpresent. Details of supply of receiving sets during the last three years is as under:-

Year	No. of receiving sets supplied
1996-97	15
1997-98	39
1998-99	30

(b) : AIR has taken a number of steps and introduced a number of newservices to preserve and maintain its relevance. Some of the recent initiatives taken by AIR are Radio on internet, News on Phone, Radio ondemand, Sky Radio, Phone in Radio, Digital Audio Broadcasting, etc.